

SWEET SLEEP

Forever Enduring Comes to George M. Dewey.

Yesterday morning about two o'clock Geo. M. Dewey passed quietly away to his eternal rest. For some time he has been in ill health, but no fears were entertained of his immediate decease until a week ago Sunday, when he became suddenly and seriously worse. On Monday and Tuesday following he rallied; but on Wednesday he again became worse. Again he rallied, but his diminishing strength told only too plainly the end was not far off, despite the vigor and robustness of a constitution that seemed like iron to those who had known him during his very active career. The family were summoned to his bedside and for days hoped that he might be spared to those who loved him dearer than all else. Tuesday and Wednesday of this week he seemed cheerful and talked lovingly to his wife and children, who were in constant attendance at his bedside. He, more than any of those around him, realized how short a time he would be with them, and he spoke of his approaching death without regret, save only for the sorrow of those who loved him, and with sincere confidence in the final reunion hereafter. About sunset he again became worse and in the silent hours of the morning breathed his last. Thus died one who has been a loving husband, an affectionate father and of whom it can be said more truly than of most men, the world is better for his having lived in it.

(From The Evening Argus.)

Although expected from day to day, this community was greatly affected this morning as the news spread from mouth to mouth that the venerable George M. Dewey, Sr., had passed away at midnight to his eternal home.

For the past two years there has been a gradual breaking down of his robust frame, and a growing weakness that was very apparent to his friends,

truths he held dear, or of the influence for good he has exercised over the minds of thousands of his fellowmen, will at least give some idea of his busy life:

Mr. Dewey was born in Lebanon, Grafton county, N. H., February 14, 1832, the son of Granville and Harriett B. (Freeman) Dewey, both natives of the same place, where their son first saw light. The mother was born in the same room which afterwards was the birthplace of her son. The grandfather was Martin Dewey, who was a revolutionary soldier, and the great grandfather, Elijah Dewey, who settled in Lebanon at a very early day, was of English parentage.

The mother of George M. Dewey was a descendant of the Plymouth Pilgrims, and in the direct line of that branch of the Standish family which settled in Connecticut. Granville, father of Geo. M. Dewey, was a soldier in the war of 1812 and was a farmer by occupation, residing on the old homestead which had been handed down for generations, from father to son. His death occurred January 27, 1840.

Mr. Dewey pursued his early studies with great assiduity and when still quite young went to Lowell, Mass., for further educational advantages and was graduated from the high school there in 1848. He entered Harvard college but in his sophomore year was employed by Charles E. Smith on an astronomical expedition in South America, which consumed about eighteen months. Returning to Lowell he undertook teaching, which profession he pursued for over three years in the east, after which he came west in 1852 and taught for some time.

The good reports made by travelers of the fertile land and fine climate of Michigan attracted Mr. Dewey hither in 1854, and coming to Berrien county, he taught for a year. Here he made so enviable a reputation among instructors as to receive the appointment of deputy superintendent of public instruction at Lansing. This position he filled for eighteen months and then tendered his resignation, having decided to enter upon a different branch of work.

The newspaper business proved attractive to him and he undertook the management of the Niles Enquirer, which he carried on for nine years successfully. Part of the time during the war he was in the postal service and

granted six children, all but one of whom have grown to years which are proving their inheritance of the bright intellectual traits and admirable social qualities of their parents. Hattie, the eldest, is deceased; Edmund O., editor of THE OWOSSO TIMES; Henry B., principal of the Hawthorne school, Tacoma, Washington; Emma G., teacher of mathematics, in Hancock Place seminary at Gambier, Ohio; Ald. George M., at home, and Mary Hannah, at home.

Mr. Dewey is survived by one sister, Mrs. J. P. Williams, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, and two brothers, Mr. Otis G. Dewey, of Ayer, Mass., and Edmund F. Dewey, of Twin Bridges, Montana.

From "New Hampshire Men" we take the following:

Much of the muscle that has developed the mighty West came no doubt from across the water; but New England claims with justice the credit of furnishing the greater part of the brains that directed the undertaking. A typical western Yankee's career is that of the Hon. George Martin Dewey, who was born in Lebanon, February 14th, 1832, the son of Granville and Harriett Byron (Freeman) Dewey. He was educated in the public schools in New Hampshire, at the Lowell (Mass.) High school, and at the Lebanon (N. H.) Liberal institute. Removing at an early age to the then far West of the state of Michigan, his work since that time may be classified under the three heads: teacher, editor, and platform speaker. His work in the first named capacity was mostly done in the years up to 1857. In 1854 his editorial life began, and has continued uninterruptedly up to the present time. During most of the period his services have been rendered the republican party through the columns of its press, though he is now connected as editor and publisher with The Odd Fellow, Owosso, Michigan. Mr. Dewey's devotion to his party has also manifested itself in much of his platform speaking, and nearly every state east of the Mississippi can testify to his brilliance and worth as a campaign orator. Here in New Hampshire we have heard him before every presidential election since 1860. He has also spoken considerably in the interests of temperance and Odd Fellowship.

The funeral services will be quietly conducted at the family residence Saturday morning at 10:30 local time. The remains will be placed in the vault at Oakhill cemetery with the burial services of the I. O. O. F., and next week taken to Niles, Mich., for burial.

On Sunday afternoon, June 6, an Odd Fellow memorial service will be held at the Congregational church.

The heartfelt thanks of the editor of THE TIMES are extended to the editors of the several city papers for favors extended during the week.

Carland.

The frost Monday and Tuesday night hurt small fruit here quite a good deal—There was a very quiet wedding here last Thursday, the happy couple being John Schneider Jr., of Rush and Miss Maud Loomis, of Riverdale—Mrs. C. J. Austin entertained her son, of Williamston, last week—The Ladies' Aid Society will meet at Henry Mitchell's next Thursday—There will be no service at the M. P. church Sunday, on account of the Sunday school convention at the United Brethren church, north of here—William Scott is quite poorly at present—L. Waters will spend memorial day with an old comrade at Lyons.

Henderson.

Frank Yatt, who for some time has been employed in L. R. Lumby's drug store, left for Ypsilanti last Tuesday morning. Frank was well liked and made a great many friends while here. A gentleman from Owosso takes his place—L. R. Lumby has purchased a fine driving horse—Mr. and Mrs. Rowley, of St. Charles, are visiting their son, Fred—W. H. Pitts went to New York about two weeks ago and returned this week with a wife—An exhibition was given at Oakley by the Oakley school for the purpose of raising money to purchase a school library. About \$5 was realized—The eighth grade examination will be held at the Henderson school house, Saturday, May 29, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Hazelton.

Alfred Coleman and son, of Oakley, visited relatives of this place last Sunday—Wm. Tuttle and family, of Saginaw county, visited relatives in this place the first of the week—Gertie Cady, who has been visiting at Wm. Austin's has returned to her home in Flint—Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sherman visited at Wm. Hart's, Sunday—Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Tuttle, of Venice, called on relatives here Sunday—Planting corn is all the go at present—Mrs. Ann Pardee left Wednesday to visit her son and daughter in Isabella county—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cady, of Flint, called on relatives here Sunday—Several teachers in this place and vicinity met at the Austin school house last Friday evening and organized a body known as the "Teachers' Home Normal," which will meet once each week—The people will now have to take the dust, as Forest Perry has purchased a fine driving horse.

Vernon.

Mrs. Henry Richards, of Grand Rapids, is spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. David Lytle, of this place—Miss Myrtle Martin is not able to fill her place in the school room this week on account of severe illness—Miss Georgia Emerick is

expected home from Ulio, Saturday evening—Decoration day will be observed here on Sunday—Mrs. D. Martin spent Tuesday at Mrs. Wm. Johnson's, in this place

Mrs. Julia Palmer has been spending several weeks in Owosso—Miss Gertie Eaton, of Ovid, spent the week with Emma Goff—H. B. McLaughlin spent the greater part of last week in Detroit. Master Wayne went in on Friday evening—Prof. Sheehan, superintendent of our schools, will give a discourse on Masonry to the members and friends of the lodge here and adjoining lodges June 7th, at 2:30 p. m.—Mrs. Eliza Yerkes and Miss Maggie Yerkes and Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Case visited at Titus Martin's on Wednesday.

New Lothrop.

Mrs. Fred Jacobs, of Corunna, visited relatives in this vicinity last week—W. P. Petty and Erastus Confer, of Linwood, were in town, Monday—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shippy, of Owosso, visited at the home of Mr. Shippy's parents a portion of last week—S. D. Wilson was in Corunna last week—Memorial services will be held at the M. E. church next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. W. C. Butler officiating. On Monday the graves of our honored dead will be decorated with flowers by the pupils of our public schools, after which they will return to the church and render the program as suggested by the superintendent of public instruction—Mrs. Harris, of Dexter, visited her brother, Mr. Rourke, Sunday—H. N. Hills and wife went to Owosso last week on business—Rev. England spent a part of last week in Gregory, Livingston county—Mr. King and wife, of Henderson, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rourke, Sunday—Rev. Hubbell, of Owosso, called on Rev. England last week—W. F. Beatty and S. D. Wilson were in Corunna Tuesday in the interest of the township of Hazelton, in the case of Moore vs. Hazelton—On Wednesday, May 19, occurred the death of Paul, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Alf. Dann. The funeral services were held Thursday at the M. P. church, Rev. W. C. Butler officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Dann have the sympathy of the entire community in this their hour of bereavement.

Burton.

The farmers in this vicinity have nearly all got their corn and potatoes planted—Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Hubbell, of Owosso, were guests of Rev. and Mrs. D. S. Cramer one day the first of the week—W. C. Stiff returned home from West Branch, Saturday—Master Freddie Wright is now riding a new safety—Mrs. H. Scott was in Bannister last week—Rev. W. F. Perkins, of Bad Axe, was the guest of Mrs. J. C. Scott and daughter Laura, Wednesday of last week—Mrs. J. O. Riley, of St. Johns, was a guest at D. S. Cramer's, Saturday—Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Brooks, May 16th, an eight pound daughter; and May 20 to Mr. and Mrs. Thurston Stebbins, a nine pound boy—Mrs. J. A. Wright, who was taken very suddenly ill Saturday, is much better at this writing—Miss Ina Cramer, of Lapeer, spent Sunday with her parents in this place—Mrs. Eliza Glover left last week for Jackson, where she will spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. G. Sinclair—Messrs. W. Wright and J. Fisher shipped a car load of potatoes to Ovid last week. Price paid 9c—The ladies of the M. P. church will give an ice cream social at the home of Rev. and Mrs. S. S. Fleming, Friday evening, June 4—The aid and W. F. M. S. will hold their next meeting Tuesday, June 1, at the home of Mrs. G. Snyder—By invitation about twenty-five of the juveniles of this place were very enjoyably entertained at the beautiful rural home of Miss Allie Simpson last Saturday afternoon, it being the anniversary of Miss Allie's twelfth birthday. Many were the wishes for the happy returns of the day—Sunday morning Miss Sarah McWilliams will have charge of the Christian Endeavor meeting. Topic: "That ye bear much fruit."

Byron.

E. F. Joslin was at the county seat, Thursday—Mrs. Tucker is visiting at C. McQueen's—Mrs. Clara Showerman, of Paw Paw, is at her father's, T. S. Lewis—Mrs. William Joslin is so much better that she is able to call on her neighbors—By accident we omitted to mention last week that Mrs. Dr. Howard and Mrs. A. W. Holsington spent Saturday and Sunday at Williamston—J. Sweikert went to Ann Arbor last week, where Mrs. Sweikert is receiving medical treatment—G. R. Lyon, of Owosso, was in town, Thursday, on business—George Stinger Jr., of Drayton Plains, formerly of Byron, was in the village Thursday—John Avils, of Byron, noted trapeze performer, is with the Six Nations' Medicine Company, at Morrice—R. Coats started last week for Harbor Springs, near Petoskey, with J. P. Southard's team—Mr. and Mrs. Tucker, of Chesaning, is visiting at C. McQueen's—Harvey Burlingame started Thursday with team and wagon for Colorado, but meeting with some who had been there, when he had gone a little beyond Lansing, who gave gloomy accounts of labor conditions there, he turned back and arrived home Sunday—Mr. Thompson, who has been running a peddling wagon for a Flint firm, has moved his family to Flint—Mrs. A. F. Hunt was at Lansing this week—Owing to the extreme wet weather the farmers in this

locality are later than usual in planting corn this spring. Some have not plowed the ground yet—Bartley Sayers, who is in the employ of the Westinghouse Electric Co. Pittsburg, Pa., is home for a month's stay with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Sayers—C. T. Rosenkrans, of Flint, is at E. C. Tuckey's this week—Mr. and Mrs. James Avery, of Conway, were at T. A. Lawrie's, Monday and Tuesday—John Davison and Miss Mamie Mills were married by the Catholic priest, at Gaines, Wednesday—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bert McKinney, Wednesday, a boy—Mrs. D. Clark has been dangerously sick, and for two days it was thought she could not live, but at present she is much better and considered out of danger—Mrs. George N. Goff and two daughters, of Vernon, are in Byron at present—Seward Chaffee and daughters were at the county seat, Saturday—Mrs. Fred Lewis, of St. Johns, was home Sunday—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith were at Mrs. Stowell's Sunday.

Wants \$20,000 damages.

Miss Inez Minnock, aged 19 years and employed in the Independent office at Corunna, commenced suit against attorney John T. McCurdy yesterday by capias sworn out before Commissioner Joseph H. Collins. Miss Minnock alleges that McCurdy insulted her upon the streets of Corunna, one evening, a short time ago, and afterwards made statements reflecting upon her character. Damages to the amount of \$20,000 are asked for but the papers have not been served as McCurdy is out of town and it is believed that he has gone to Dakota.—The Owosso Press.

RISKED HIS OWN LIFE

To Save the Life of a Child—The Heroic Act of Dana Seeley.

The pedestrians on West Exchange street were startled about 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon by seeing a runaway horse attached to a carriage, in which was sitting a little girl, rush around the corner from Ball street. Dana Seeley, bookkeeper for Duff & Detwiler, happened to be in front of the store and, regardless of his own safety, ran into the street and grabbed the horse by the bit. He was dragged some distance before he succeeded in stopping the animal. Mr. Seeley was warmly applauded by all who witnessed his successful heroism.

The horse belongs to J. H. Laverock, and has been used by the family for a number of years. Yesterday Mrs. Laverock started for John Schleider's greenhouse and had Gladys, the four-year-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Hunt, in the carriage. She had forgotten a flower pot and stopped in front of the adjoining house and went across the lawn to the back door of her own house. The horse, not accustomed to stand at that horseblock, started for his own hitching post, and the child in the carriage slapping his back with the reins, the horse thought it was ago, and went. Mrs. Laverock returned just as the horse was passing the house, and ran out and with her hands nearly on the reins, shouted "Whoa!" Her frightened tone of voice startled the horse which started on a run with little Gladys the sole occupant of the carriage. He turned the corner and was evidently making for Mr. Laverock's feed barn. With every step he increased his speed, and had he not been stopped before reaching Park street the carriage would certainly have been tipped over as the horse turned to go to the feed barn.

The fortunate outcome of what came near being a sad affair is a source of congratulation, and too much praise cannot be given Mr. Seeley for the true heroism he displayed.—The Owosso Press.

EASTERN STARS

Abigail Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star is enjoying a genuine boom, and the sleepy appearance of some prominent Owosso Masons is due to the fact that their rest was broken by the late home coming of their wives who attended lodge last evening, will attend again tonight, with excellent prospects for the calling of specials for Thursday and Friday evenings.

Meedames B. S. Knapp, D. M. Christian and Van R. Pond were instructed last evening regarding the rights and benefits of the O. E. S., and shown the additional attractions of life's pathway as revealed under its brilliant light.

Seventeen applications were balloted upon and passed, with more to follow, so that from present indications the Owosso constellation promises to take rank among the most brilliant of the state.

The brothers were invited to attend a social session last evening after the completion of the lodge work, and it is fair to suppose that from the large number who responded in person to the invitation that the brothers are very anxious to know more of the institution or else they expected something good to eat. They were not disappointed in either case for after lunch had been served in the lunch parlors, the boys were invited to the lodge room, where they were treated to some excellent musical selections by Mrs. James Osburn, Mrs. E. W. Hunt, and the Masonic quartette consisting of Messrs. McIntosh, Pond, Campbell and

McIntosh. The medical profession was very much in evidence, and Drs. Hume, Knapp and Crum embraced the opportunity to compliment the ladies on their good work both in the banquet room and in the lodge.

Dr. Dowdigan succeeded in satisfying the sentinel that he was a member of the order in good standing and was admitted. In response to a call Doc made a neat little speech in which he got to talking about his neighbors, and was promptly reminded by the Worthy Matron that his obligation forbade such action in public, and he was further informed that if he had anything to say about his neighbors he should wait until the meeting adjourned when the sisters would gladly listen to him.

Dr. Will E. Collins was called for and assured the sisters that he was not of the school and refused to counsel with the other pill makers.

It was near midnight when the worthy matron declared the meeting adjourned to avoid a row that was evidently brewing, and now the brothers are wondering if they will be invited to the next blow-out.

The Owosso Chapter will go to Corunna this evening in full force, and give the Corunna ladies a few pointers on how to confer the degrees. Arrangements have been made with the street car company whereby the sisters may check their husbands as baggage without extra charge.—Press.

Local News.

From The Owosso Press:

The soldiers' monument committee has asked the contractor for a reduction of \$60 from the contract because he has not complied with the terms of the contract in the height of the statue, mention of which was made in our last issue. Arrangements have been made with Mr. Pond through whom the contract was let, by which the present monument will be dedicated next Monday even though the statue be exchanged thereafter for one which meets all requirements of the contract. It is the opinion of those who have seen the present monument that the statue is full high enough in proportion to its size and the size of the monument. That it is an excellently designed and skillfully wrought piece of work, no one can deny, and its is doubtful if a statue of the contract length would look any better.

The membership contest of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. goes merrily on. One of the captains and her lieutenants have held weekly councils of war, the "enemy" ascertaining the place and time of said meetings, engaged the room immediately, above the "secret" chamber and by boring holes through the floor, was enabled to find out the *modus operandi* and resources of the opposing side. The Pinks are ahead and have been from the start, but they are by no means certain of being the victors, as they fear the Greens have a "reserve" in fact, it is reported that the Greens have at least 33 paid members whom they have not recorded. The contest closes a week from next Monday, June 7, at 9 o'clock in the evening.

Mrs. Harry Hawkins, an infant daughter and her mother aged 63 years, residing east of Corunna, had a narrow escape from death in a runaway, Saturday afternoon. As they were driving into town their horse became frightened when near the Washington street bridge and ran wildly north on Washington street. Mrs. Watkins had the reins and bravely hung to them until she was thrown over the dashboard by the carriage striking a pile of dirt where sewer connections were being made with Johnson & Henderson's drug store. She clung to the dashboard until in front of Parkill's store when the carriage was overturned by colliding with a rig which was standing at a hitching post. The horse freed itself from the carriage and ran north. As soon as Mrs. Hawkins was picked up from beneath the wrecked buggy, she inquired for her baby. They were taken to Osburn & Sons' store where it was found they had received no injury save a bad shaking up.

The Shiawassee County teachers' convention, held at Durand last Saturday, was a success. President Thompson called order at appointed time. Rev. Cross conducted devotional exercises. The music was rendered by two small children and the Durand quartette. Excellent papers were read by Miss Anna McCaughna and Messrs. H. Slocum, A. N. Cody, Sheehan and Wright. Miss Fannie Cook in her usual happy style gave "Enele"—a review. Animated and interesting discussions followed each paper and at times it seemed as though Gen. Weyler had gotten into the Cuban camp, but after the ammunition was exhausted sweet peace reigned. The leading participants in the several charges were Supt. Sheldon, Commissioner Bristol and Principals French, Haynes and Cadman. The Central House took a big contract when agreeing to fill up so many hungry pedagogues at 20 cents a head. The convention was full of profit to all who attended.



GEORGE M. DEWEY.

but it was not until about the first of the year that he became so enfeebled as to give up all attempts to transact business and remain quietly at home. Even then his hopefulness did not desert him, and it was with considerable enthusiasm he looked forward to tomorrow, May 28th, which would have been the fortieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey. He had arranged some time before his increasing illness for a surprise upon Mrs. Dewey, and invited some friends from abroad to enjoy the occasion with them. He talked frequently with his children, and eagerly anticipated the anniversary day. The past two weeks, however, have been full of intense pain, which rapidly weakened him, and last week the end seemed so near that his children living at a distance were wired for

(From The Daily American.)

There departed this life in this city, this morning, a man whose extraordinary mental vigor and whose fearless stand for principles he believed to be right, have won for his memory a loving remembrance in the hearts of thousands of citizens of Owosso, of this state, and of many states of the Union, which he visited and where he has proven himself a host for the cause he advocated.

Mr. Dewey's death was due to a wearing out of his once superb physical machinery, his mind retaining all of its old time strength to the very last. The entire city of Owosso will mourn with the afflicted family their common loss. By that great brotherhood, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Michigan, Mr. Dewey will be mourned as a father. The following sketch, though it tells not of the remarkable personality of Mr. Dewey, of his sacrifices for the

was the trusted friend and intimate associate of Michigan's War Governor, Austin Blair. After severing his connection with the Enquirer he purchased the Republican Banner at Hastings, Barry county, and edited it for fifteen years. In 1881 he came to Owosso and bought the Owosso TIMES, and held his connection with this paper until 1890.

Mr. Dewey has been connected with public affairs to a considerable extent ever since he came into the state and through the medium of the press exerted a wide political influence. He had also unusual ability as a stump speaker and has often taken the stump both in Michigan and other states for the causes of temperance and the republican party. He stumped the states of New York, Maine, Vermont, Iowa, New Hampshire, Illinois and New Jersey, making speeches in the defense of republican principles. He has made thousands of speeches during his public career. He has held various offices in the Grand Lodge of Michigan, I. O. O. F., and was Grand Master in 1888-89. In 1886 he became a member of the Grand Council of the Royal Templars of Temperance, and in 1887 was made Supreme Councilor of the order. In 1873 the sixteenth district of Michigan honored itself by electing him state senator and he served in the session of 1873-74. He was one of the delegates who organized the republican party "under the oaks" at Jackson, Michigan, July 6, 1854. He served for five years as agent of the state board of corrections and charities; alderman of Hastings for four years; six years a member of the board of education; he was chairman of the republican congressional committee of the eighth district and has served as chairman of county and city committees.

Mr. Dewey's marriage, May 28, 1857, with Miss Emma Bingham, of Niles, was a union which has resulted in a life of grandest domestic happiness. This lady, a native of Ohio, was born in Mahoning county, that state, a daughter of the late Judge Lemuel Bingham, of Niles, who was a native of Connecticut. To Mr. and Mrs. Dewey have been